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Management of Harijan hostels in Tiruchirappalli district

* 292 *Q.*—SRI R. RANGASWAMI REDDIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any hostels for Harijan pupils are managed by one and the same person in Tiruchirappalli district, in contravention of existing orders of the Government; and

(*b*) if so, why?

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN : (*a*) No, Sir.

(*b*) Does not arise.

Non-payment of salaries to Ganapat High School teachers, Kallai, Kozhikode

* 293 *Q.*—SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received any complaints from the teachers and other organizations of the Ganapat High School, Kallai and Kozhikode in Malabar district regarding the non-payment of salaries to the teachers in those schools; and

(*b*) if so, the steps taken by the Government to avert the enforced strike of the teachers?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : (*a*) Yes, Sir.

(*b*) The hon. Member is referred to the answer given to clause (*b*) of the Legislative Assembly Starred Question No. 116, answered on 16th August 1956.

SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR : May I know whether the Government have considered a recent memorandum sent by the teachers suggesting that the Government may take over the management so that in future the teachers may have regular payment and security of service?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : We have received the report from the Director also about this. There are many irregularities in the conduct of the school. It is rather a serious matter. Therefore, it has to be referred for further enquiry. I am afraid the final decision will have to be taken by the Kerala Government.

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP : Have the Government any information as to the month up to which the employees have been paid and for how many months, their salaries are outstanding?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : The teaching grant is being paid even in advance so that the teachers' salary may be paid. I do not have the exact information which the hon. Member wants.